

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation

Investigative Report



Officer Involved Critical Incident - 6880 Sunset Strip Ave NW, Room #220, North Canton, Ohio, 44720



Investigative Activity: Evidence Submitted to Lab

Involves: James Vanest (S)

Activity Date: 11/21/2024

Activity Location: BCI Richfield Office

Authoring Agent: SA Matthew Armstrong

Narrative:

On Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 1444 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Administrative Professional Betsy Farris submitted 10 evidence items to the BCI laboratory in Richfield. This was the first submission for this case under BCI laboratory number 24-38325.

The "Laboratory Evidence Submission" sheet is attached to this report. Please refer to that document for further details.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. 2024-11-21 Lab submission Case 24-38325

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Laboratory Evidence Submission					Date/7	Γime Received:		1	BCI Case Number:					
Received By: Kylie Manko Receiving Lab: BCI Richfield						1/2024 2:	24-38325							
New Case ADD'L (If checked, provide BCI Case No)					Agency Case Number: 2024-3649									
Case Type: Date of Offense: Shooting Involving an Officer 11/18/2024					6880	ion of Offense: Sunset Strip N North Canton	W, Room	County of Submitting Agency: Stark County						
Subject(s): (First, MI, Last	In Custody	Charged	Trial I	Date	Grand Jury	Arrest #	BCI#	Sex	DOB					
James J. Vanest								M	06/01/1956					
Victim(s): (First, MI, Last	Name)						State ID #	BCI#	Sex	DOB				
State of Ohio														
Submitting Agency Name/ORI:					Investigating Officer Name: Matthew Armstrong									
BCI / Richfield OHBCI0000					Investigating Officer Phone: (330) 523-0869									
					Investigating Officer Email: Matthew.Armstrong@OhioAGO.gov									
Mailing Address:					Submitting Officer: Betsy Farris									
4055 Highlander Parkway Richfield, OH 44286					Buty Janin									
					BCI Crime Scene Agent: Crim				e Scene Case No:					

Test item submission establishes an agreement for testing between the submitting customer and the BCI laboratory. The laboratory employs standardized methods to fulfill customer test requests. Specific method selection, application and sequence are at the discretion of the laboratory, unless otherwise directed by the customer. Investigative information obtained as a result of the laboratory testing may be disseminated to other law enforcement agencies for the administration of justice. The BCI laboratory may subcontract testing to meet operational needs. Subcontracted work will be performed by a competent subcontractor and that work will be clearly identified to the customer.

Prior to the commencement of work, please review the submission receipt to ensure the items submitted and laboratory testing requested are correct. Signature signifies acceptance of the agreement specified above and accuracy of the submission receipt to the best of the signatory's knowledge.

Completed Laboratory reports, Notarized Statements, and Statements of Qualification are available for download from the OHLEG portal (www.OHLEG.org).

Services Requested

Lab Item #	Dept. Item #	Description (Packaging Description, Item Type - Described as)	Chemistry Qualitative Analysis	Chemistry Quantitative Analysis	Firearms	DNA	GSR Gunshot Residue	Latent Prints	LINK	NIBIN	Operability	Questioned Document	Trace
1	1	One cardboard box containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: firearm (Serial #BE27760) with cartridge and magazine (CSU Item 10 Matrix Item 009)			×						×		
2	2	One cardboard box containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: firearm (Serial #540-45090) with cartridge (CSU Item 009 Matrix Item 008)			×						×		
3	3	Envelope containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: cartridge casings (CSU Item 014, Matrix Item 012)			×					×			
4	4	Brown paper bag containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: magazine (CSU Item 015, Matrix Item 013)			×								
5	5	Brown paper bag containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: cartridge case (CSU Item 016, Matrix Item 014)			×					×			
6	6	One manila envelope containing, Firearm Evidence Described as: cartridge case (CSU Item 024 Matrix 021)			×					×			





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Case Type: Date of Offense:				Location of Offense: County of Submitting Agency:											
Shooting Involving an Officer 11/18/2024			688								County				
Shooting involving an officer 11/10/2021				220, North Canton											
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7	7	Envelope containing, Firearm Evidence			×					×			П		
,	,	Described as: cartridge casings (CSU Item 025		▎╚				╽╙	╽╙			▎╚╵	Ш		
		Matrix Item 022)													
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		Described as: firearm (Serial #A1-33596-15)													
		with magazine and cartridge (CSU Item 048													
		Matrix Item 045)													
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		Described as: firearm (Serial													
		#61-06-133257-23) with cartridge (CSU Item													
		049 Matrix Item 046)													
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		Described as: firearm (Serial #204216591) with													
		cartridge case and magazines (CSU Item 050													
		Matrix Item 047)													